

CRVBMW January 19, 2020 Meeting
At Wood 'n Tap, Newington, CT

Call mtg to order at 1:01 PM

Number in attendance – 18 in attendance at start of meeting followed by introductions around room.

Ron - Treasurer's Report – Ron brought to attention that the \$800 check payment for the campground reservation has yet to be cashed. Membership renewals increased club balance to \$5,200 and change. He will have more detail analysis at the next scheduled meeting. Membership dues subsidize the Winter Banquet.

Felix - Minutes report from previous meeting – Felix spoke on major items from past meeting briefly.

Old Business

We had elections at our November meeting. Our Board of Directors are:

President - Tim Parola
Vice President - Chris Jennings
Secretary - Felix Planas
Treasurer - Ron Faibusch
Road Captain - Mark Altschwager
Assistant Road Captain - Stu Green
Member-at-Large - Nord Christensen

Club membership cards - I have printed cards to hand out to those in attendance at our meetings and have given them to our Road Captains to hand out at club rides. Tim stated he will do this after adjournment of meeting for members present, if needed.

I also have "You have met a member of ..." cards to hand out. Pick them up before you leave today. It is suggested that you write your name on the cards before you hand them out. Cards were handed out and members encouraged to hand-out to get the word out and new members for our club. A thousand cards were ordered and are available through Tim.

If you haven't renewed your membership for this year, please do so ASAP - Renew on-line. Still \$20 per member, \$10 for Associate members.

Sharing our list of members with the club still needs to happen. I almost started the process last month, but decided to wait until after the holidays and membership renewals are completed. It was noted that some free members through Max's have not renewed as of this meeting. The list will consist of a spreadsheet and only accessible to current members via a secured webpage TBD.

Club Rides

*Mark Altschwager led a ride on Friday, Nov 22 which was cut short due to a rain storm approaching the state. **Three participated in this ride but was cut short due to impending rainstorms.**

*Stu will restart the Wednesday rides when Winter has passed. **Tim spoke on Stu's continuation of the Wednesday Rides for 2020. Most rides concentrate in the northwest corner of CT and southwest corner of MA.**

Preliminary discussions for a weeklong ride to Virginia. Day trips considered for West Virginia, Bleu Ridge Parkway and other options with more discussion if there is interest.

Dates for next year's national rallies

BMW MOA – June 25-28 at Great Falls, Montana

I sent out an email regarding Assigned Camping Areas if anyone interested. – **MOA will accept group request at rally. Anyone interest needs to contact MOA.**

BMW RA – Sept 17-20 at Waynesville, NC

Any New Business ?

Brian spoke on his attendance to the "Hall of Fame" in Columbus, Ohio, the courses available to take such as Road Captain. Courses are open to anyone. He also mentioned Lauren Secular, if there is interest, to organize the civilian version of Motorcycle Cop Training for club members. He spoke on magazine/web Backroads Magazine and their many trips can be useful for planning future trips. He also spoke about the Motorcyclepedia Muesum located in Newburg, NY to be a worthwhile visit especially since they rotate their displays.

Future Meetings/Events

Winter Banquet - Saturday, Feb 8 at the Polish National Home - 6PM social, 7PM dinner. The menu will be the same as last year.

The price is \$37 per Member or Associate Member & \$40 per guest.

Go On-Line to sign up. Last day to sign up is Thurs, Jan 29 (1-1/2 weeks away). **Tim reminded members. To date 23 have signed up, usually have 40 or more. This is a good opportunity for members to meet new members or visit with those they have not seen in a while. The club subsidizes the banquet from member dues. There will be door prizes.**

The February meeting will be held:

Sunday, February 16 at 1:00 PM. **It was announced there is additional parking behind the industrial lot – a short walk to the restaurant. Restaurant is located at the corner of S. Center St and West Center St.**

Smokin With Chris

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Charter Oak Rally - May 22-24

Chris, sent advertisements to the MOA & RA magazines & request insurance once we have camp contract.

Nord, camp contract for insurance? – Club is waiting for a signed contract before it can commit to insurance coverage. Price has not been set and hoping to get finalized by next meeting.

Club activities

Does anyone have any new group activities to announce?

Gary & JoAnn Walker donated to club a Max's T-shirt and BMW GS calendar for Winter Banquet door prizes.

It was mentioned that Chris Chorney, past member, donated Rally cups from the 1990s – they will be available at the banquet to anyone who attends.

Discussion on CRVBMW's FaceBook page originally started by Ching and we need a volunteer to maintain it. Jorge Vivar volunteered to help. Tim will contact him.

Brian Fisk stated there are rooms available at the Day's Inn nearby, Brainard Rd, for members attending the banquet.

Motion to adjourn by Gary; seconded by Joann

Mtg adjourned at 1:31 PM

Items in red were entered by Felix Planas, secretary CRVBMW.